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Examiner: K.T. Nguyen

For: PROBE FOR SCANNING PROBE LITHOGRAPHY
AND MAKING METHOD THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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SMALL ENTITY	
Rate	Additional Fee
x 9	\$
x 42	\$
+ 140	\$
Total	\$

OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
Rate	Additional Fee
x 18	\$ 0
x 84	\$ 84
+ 280	\$ 0
Total	\$ 84

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A check in the amount of \$ 200.00 is attached in payment of:
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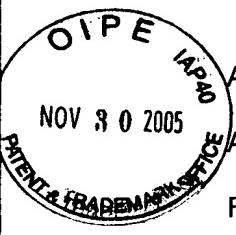
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT
AMENDMENT (37 CFR §1.121)**

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of November 2, 2005, Applicants submit the following complete listing of the claims and remarks submitted prior to the Supplemental Amendment filed on February 20, 2002. The following claim amendments and remarks were submitted on December 13, 2001.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

Appendix including amended drawing Fig. 12(a) is attached following page 13 of this paper.